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Applicant: Koichi SATO

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STILL CAMERA

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Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated March 11, 2004, setting forth a three-month shortened statutory period for response to expire on June 11, 2004, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejection in view of the herein contained amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which beings on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.

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